## Preliminary Amendment dated February 13, 2006 CYANIN-TYPE COMPOUNDS HAVING AN ALKYNYL LINKER ARM

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1, 2, 4-10 and 13 remain in this application. Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 10 and 13 are amended. Claims 3, 11 and 12 have been canceled.

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, and 10 have been amended to more particularly describe and distinctly claim the subject matter that the Applicant considers as the invention. Claims 13 is amended to correct dependency. No new matter is added. No claim fees are due

Applicants respectfully request that Claims 1, 2, 4-10 and 13 be examined in this application.

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